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SUBJ: SC III, WG 3 SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH (SR) 25 JULY

1. WG 3 CHAIRMAN DESTRIIBUTED COMPARATIVE TALE OF DRAFT ARTICLES ON ITEM 1.1, "DEFINITIONS AND OBJECTIVES OF MARINE SR", AND DIRECTED ATTENTION TO 3 COMMON POINTS:

(A) SR INTENDED TO INCREASE KNOWLEDGE OF MARINE ENVIRONMENT (CANADA AND EAST EUROPEAN TEXTS);

(B) SR WHALL NOT FORM THE BASIS FOR ANY LEGAL CLAIMS (CAN, US, MALTA); AND,

(C) SR SHALL BE CONDUCTED FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES (LA AND EE).  
APPEALING FOR BREVITY, CHAIRMAN OPENED GENERAL DEBATE TO SEEK FURTHER COMMON POINTS. VENEZUELA AND FRENCH DELEGATES SAW CHANCE FOR FURTHER AGREEMENT BUT INDICATED NEED TO DEFINE SR, ESPECIALLY DISTINCTION BETWEEN PARA ON FUNDAMENTAL SR AND INDUSTRIAL OR APPLIED SR.2. AMB MCKERNAN NOTED COMPLEXITY OF PROBLEM OF DEFINING THIS

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DISTINCTION AND URGED WG TO CONCENTRATE INSTEAD ON THE OBLIGATIONS

RESEARCH STATES MUST UNDERTAKE WHILE OPERATING IN AREAS WHERE COASTAL STATES HAD PARTIAL JURISDICTION. FRANCE, FINLAND AND SOVS ALL INSISTED DISTINCTION HAD TO BE MADE BETWEEN TYPE OF RESEARCH FOR ECONOMIC PURPOSES AND OPEN RESEARCH WHERE RESULTS ARE PUBLISHED FOR BENEFIT OF WORLD COMMUNITY.

3. CHARIMAN THEN CLOSED WG AND REFERRED MATTER TO INFORMAL OPEN-ENDED DRAFTING GROUP TO ATTEMPT TO NARROW DIFFERENCES OR CREATE ALTERNATIVE TEXTS. MCKERNAN AGAIN URGED THAT DRAFTING GROUP CONSIDER PROBLEM FROM POINT OF VIEW OF OBLIGATIONS OF THE RESEARCHER.

4. DRAFTING GROUP OF APPROXIMATELY DOZEN REPS THEN MET TO DISCUSS DEFINITIONS. SOVS, FINLAND, VENEZUELA AND FRANCE AGAIN INDICATED ESSENTIAL NEED TO DEFINE AND DISTINGUISH BETWEEN TWO TYPES OF RESEARCH SINCE THEY WOULD BE SUBJECT TO DIFFERENT REGULATIONS. MEXICO (VALLARATA) NOTED POSSIBILITY OF DRAFTING DEFINITIONS FOR EACH TYPE BUT ADDED THAT WHILE THEORETICAL RESEARCH MAY NOT BE INTENDED FOR INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES, THE RESULTS OFTEN ARE APPLIED. HE SAID SR GIVES ADVANTAGE TO RESEARCH, THEREFORE BOTH SHOULD BE TREATED ALIKE IN OBLIGATIONS. VENEZUELA AND PERU NOTED THAT COASTAL STATE WILL DECIDE WHAT TYPE OF RESEARCH IS BEING DONE IN THE ECONOMIC ZONE AND PERU ADDED THAT INTERNATIONAL REGIME SHOULD REGULATE IN THE INTERNATIONAL SEA.

5. BRAZIL, MEXICO, PERU, MALTA NOTED DIFFICULTIES IN CREATING DEFINITIONS AND URGED PROGRESS ON OTHER ARTICLES AND RETURN TO QUESTION LATER. COLOMBIA SUGGESTED SIMPLE DEFINITION, "MARINE SR IS ANY STUDY INTENDED TO INCREASE KNOWLEDGE ABOUT THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT", WITH INTENTION TO RETURN TO DEFINITION FOR FURTHER REFINEMENT AFTER WORK COMPLETED ON REMAINING ARTICLES. THIS RECEIVED QUALIFIED SUPPORT FROM UK, FRANCE AND US.

6. CHAIRMAN NOTED LACK OF AGREEMENT AND DIRECTED SECRETARIAT TO PRODUCE COMPARATIVE TABLE OF DEFINITIONS THAT HAD BEEN SUGGESTED IN DRAFTING GROUP. DRAFTING GROUP COULD THEN RETURN TO THIS MATTER LATER AND INTRODUCE BRACKETS, FOOTNOTES OR ALTERNATIVES, BUT IT IS CHAIRMAN'S INTENTION TO PROCEED TO NEXT ITEM 1.2, "RIGHT TO UNDERTAKE MARINE SR WITHIN NATIONAL JURISDICTION AND IN THE INTERNATIONAL AREAS ON 26 JULY. BASSIN  
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